

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 473

Introduced by Assembly Member Charles Calderon

February 15, 2011

An act relating to unfair competition.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 473, as introduced, Charles Calderon. Unfair competition.

Existing law defines unfair competition and makes unlawful specified business practices intended to injure competitors or destroy competition. Existing law specifies criminal penalties and civil remedies for violations, including injunctive relief and damages.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would add provisions to the Business and Professions Code making it an act of unfair competition to sell or offer for sale in this state a product that is manufactured by a person using stolen or misappropriated information technology in its business operations, where the product is sold or offered for sale in this state in competition with a product that is manufactured without the use of that stolen or misappropriated information technology.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
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